

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A vertical support pole having an improved surface contacting head for use in holding devices in desired positions and orientations. The support pole has a first end and a second end and compressible head located near the first end of the pole. The head has a surface-contacting portion and a portion configured to interact with a compression device located within the support pole. A flared collar extends from the first end of the pole. This flared collar has a plurality of projections that are configured to extend around the head and spread outward when a sufficient quantity of force is applied to the head. This specially designed head allows the support pole to contact a greater number of points across a greater surface area and provide increased support of the load or surface being contacted by the head.